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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In Re the Application of:
CHASTEEN ET AL.
Serial No.: 09/757,362
Filed: January 8, 2001
Atty. File No.: 1604-373

For: "SMALL OPENING BEVERAGE CAN END ADAPTED FOR

RECEIVING A STRAW"

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir:

Group Art Unit: 3727

Examiner: Robin A. Hylton

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, P.O. BOX 1450, ALEXANDRIA, VA 22313-1450 ON July 28, 2003.

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Applicants, through their attorneys, respectfully petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) of two (2) months to respond to the Office Action mailed on February 28, 2003, with respect to the above-identified application, thereby extending the period for response from May 28, 2003, to July 28, 2003.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$410.00 as payment for the extension fee. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

Respectfully submitted,

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